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Railway Subsidies Also Coming--Drummond Railway and Pacific Cable.

Yukon Legal Adviser Permitted to Engage in Private Practice.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, May 1.—The sessional programme of the government was announced to the house this afternoon by Premier Laurier in the following terms: "I shall now give the information asked for on Friday last by Mr. Foster, that is to say, in so far as government business is concerned for the remainder of the session. To-morrow the minister of finance will deliver his budget speech, and after the debate on that speech has been exhausted the government will proceed with two resolutions on the order paper, namely, the Pacific cable and the Drummond County railway purchase.

"The measures still remaining to be introduced, are, first of all, the Senate reform resolution, of which the house has already had notice, and then, the redistribution bill and also certain resolutions in aid of railways and the supplementary estimates.

"In addition to these, there may be one or two other matters of minor importance, but still of some moment, which may be introduced before the business now before the house will be completed."

### Plebiscite Humberg.

There were 33 questions on the order paper for to-day, nearly all of which were answered.

Col. Prior was informed by Premier Laurier that the cost of holding the plebiscite poll at Lake Bennett, where three votes were cast, was \$203, and at Lorne Creek, where five votes were cast, \$150.

### Yukon Legal Adviser.

Mr. Borden, of Halifax, was told that Mr. Clement, legal adviser in the Yukon, is not permitted to practise before the gold commissioner or to act professionally in regard to mining titles. Otherwise he could practise his profession while retaining his position as government legal adviser.

### Brochic Ledge.

Sir Louis Davies told Mr. McInnes that the light on Brochic ledge was not completed owing to a defective cable. The light will be in operation this year.

### Rates Through the Pass.

Mr. Blair informed Mr. McInnes that the C. P. R. Co. has not submitted to the governor-in-council for approval and revision its rates on the Crow's Nest Pass branch or lines connecting with that branch.

### Bad for the Cable.

The withdrawal of Great Britain from the co-partnership arrangement with the colonies on the Pacific cable scheme is regarded as effectually killing the project. The government contends that the Canada had less interest directly in the scheme than either Australia or Great Britain, but it has been advocated by Canadian statesmen on both sides on account of its imperial importance and as an evidence of Canada's willingness to make a further contribution to the cause of imperial unity.

### Oil Duty Stays On.

It is reported on good authority tonight that the oil refiners have triumphed and that the government will not reduce the duty upon coal oil. The regulations, however, may be changed so as to relieve the situation.

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### A VERDANT MEMBER

Suggests That United States Might Amend Tariff for Benefit of British Commerce.

London, May 1.—In the House of Commons to-day Mr. Douglas Harry Coghlin, Conservative, asked the ministry if the foreign office had instructed the representative of Great Britain at Washington to make representations to the government of the United States as to the great injury caused to various branches of British trade by the existing American tariff, and to urge the advisability of withdrawing a tariff so unfavorable to Great Britain.

In reply Mr. Broderick, parliamentary secretary for the foreign office, said that it was not usual to make representations to a foreign power upon a tariff policy, except in connection with some specific negotiations. The government, he said, did not consider that at the present moment instructions such as the member suggested would be likely to result to the benefit of British commerce.

### COL. SHERWOOD

## SHOOTS A CHIEF.

Commissioner of Dominion Police Makes Indians Respect the Law.

Special to the Colonist.

Montreal, May 1.—(Special)—Lieut.-Col. A. P. Sherwood, commissioner of Dominion police, left Ottawa last night with a small force of men and went by train to Coteau, whence they took a steamer to the St. Regis Indian reserve, arriving there this morning. Their object was to arrest four Indian chiefs, who opposed the government's proposal to elect chiefs every three years.

Last fall when the polling was taking place these chiefs broke up the booths, and have been positive outlaws since. The arrests were made and the Indians taken to the agency. Here they acted ugly and tried to escape.

Col. Sherwood drew a revolver and shot one chief, Jake Ice, dead. Two other Indians were wounded in the melee. None of the constables were hurt. The other Indians were being taken to Beauharnois gaol to-day.

Ottawa, May 1.—Great regret is expressed here at the news of the fracas between St. Regis Indians and the posse of Dominion police. Col. Sherwood, the commissioner, assumes full responsibility for the death of Jake Ice. After telegraphing an account of the fray to the government, Col. Sherwood surrendered himself to the authorities at Huntingdon.

A few weeks ago Inspector Hogan of the Dominion police, with two constables went to the reserve in connection with the same troubles. The Indians practically set them at defiance, and the Inspector withdrew to avoid the bloodshed that seemed to be necessary if the law was to be enforced.

### NO MOTIVE FOR INCENDIARISM.

So Police Report on the Fire That Destroyed the Andrews Household.

New York, May 1.—Coroner Zucca and a jury began an inquest on the bodies of the twelve persons who lost their lives in the fire on April 7 at the residence of the late Wallace Andrews. Police Captain John S. Donohue, in whose precinct the fire occurred, after testifying that Mrs. St. John, one of the victims, had received anonymous letters threatening to burn her children with acid, was asked if he believed the fire the work of an incendiary. "We have investigated the case thoroughly," he replied, "and can find no motive. The domestics were on good terms with each other, and we could learn of no enemies that Mr. and Mrs. Andrews had had."

He declared that the existence of an organized band of incendiaries in his precinct was an impossibility.

### MONTREAL BLOCK BURNED.

Nine Tenants and Total Loss Placed at Hundred Thousand Dollars.

Montreal, May 1.—(Special)—Fire yesterday morning destroyed the large stone building on the corner of St. Catharines and Urban streets, owned by the Beaudry estate. It was valued at \$25,000 and covered by insurance. There were nine tenants in the building, and the loss is heavy.

The N. Y. laundry company's premises on the top floor were almost completely destroyed, and their loss is over \$10,000; Limburner & Matthews, about \$5,000; Universal Patent Development Company, estimated at \$10,000; Vinotte & Co., boot and shoe factory, \$10,000; Kieffer Bros., shoe factory, about \$10,000. Bennett & Mager, carriage makers in the adjoining building, will lose heavily, their stock of carriages being almost completely destroyed; loss estimated at over \$15,000. The total loss is estimated at \$100,000.

## Mr. Martin Superseded

The Provincial Executive Takes Other Advice Against His Private Client.

Take Possession of Deadman's Island at Instance of Mr. Cotton.

Vancouver Asserts That Attorney-General's Resignation Is in Order.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, May 1.—Following the announcement on Sunday that the chief commissioner of lands and works, Mr. F. C. Cotton, had decided that Deadman's island does not belong to Vancouver city or to the Dominion of Canada, but to the Province of British Columbia, Mr. Skinner, timber commissioner, was instructed by wire to-day to take possession of the island, forcibly if need be. This was done to-day, Mr. Skinner calling to his aid a special constable. The city guard also remains on the island.

Mr. Ludgate says: "I heard from Attorney-General Martin to-day. He is still my counsel." As Mr. Martin has placed himself on record as fighting for the Dominion ownership in Mr. Ludgate's interests it is freely stated on the streets here that he should hand in his resignation at once as legal adviser to the provincial government. Mr. Cotton and Mr. Martin are hopelessly at variance.

The effect of the action taken by the provincial authorities is expected to be to throw the burden of proof upon the Dominion, the federal government being notified of the provincial claim and action and it being left to them to show cause why the title of the province should not be recognized.

The following is the announcement made in the News-Advertiser, Mr. Cotton's paper:

"It is understood that, as a result of his investigations in records of the lands and works department, the chief commissioner has reported that he considers that Deadman's island, Stanley park and the Point Grey reserve belong to the provincial government. In an interview to-day, Premier Sefton stated that the government had good grounds for claiming these so-called reserves, and that steps would be taken to protect the province's interests against either the Dominion or other parties. This seems to settle the contention of either the Vancouver corporation or Mr. Ludgate. Anyhow, the stand taken by the mayor and council appears likely to lead to substantial benefit to the province, through the investigation which it has caused.

"Hon. Robert Beaven, who was chief commissioner for several years, stated to-day that there was no question but that both the park and island belong to the province."

### NO MORE THE OPEN DOOR.

Spheres of Influence Policy Substituted by the Powers in China.

St. Petersburg, May 1.—The Anglo-Russian agreement with reference to spheres of influence is not in the form of a convention but is set forth in a note, duplicates of which have been exchanged between the Russian minister for foreign affairs, and the British ambassador to Russia. The preamble states that both countries agree to uphold the integrity and independence of the Chinese empire.

Berlin, May 1.—It is the belief in political circles here that England has relinquished the open door policy in China and given her adhesion to the sphere of influence policy there, and that Germany must follow suit. The Tagblatt to-day says: "The first consequence of the Anglo-Russian agreement must be that Germany, too, must declare the Hoanghe valley to be her sphere. It would be a far-reaching error were Germany to confine herself to the province of Shandhai Tung."

### THE LAW'S LONG MEMORY.

Toronto Ex-Alderman Arrested for Taking a Bribe Seven Years Ago.

Toronto, May 1.—(Special)—W. Middleton Hall was arrested this morning on the charge of taking a bribe when a member of the city council in 1892 for his vote and influence in connection with the awarding of the street railway franchise. The facts came out at a judicial investigation held in 1895, but Hall skipped the country before he could be arrested. A few days ago he returned to float a mining company, and his arrest followed.

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## Arraigned In Commons.

Governor's Arbitrary Change of  
Ministry Brought Up by  
Col. Prior.

Western Interest in Early Cen-  
sus—St. Regis Indians  
Excited.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, May 1.—Col. Prior to-day moved for copies of all papers and petitions relating to the action of the Lieut.-Governor of British Columbia in dismissing the Turner administration. He regretted that he felt it his duty to make such a motion, but the proceedings of the Lieut.-Governor had been such that the matter should be ventilated in parliament. The motion carried.

British Columbia Judges.

Sir Hilbert Tupper moved for copies of correspondence dated since July, 1898, relating to judges in British Columbia. He said the allowance of \$500 per annum by the British Columbia legislature to certain judges had lately been withdrawn and he understood that in appointing judges it had been sought to impose certain conditions as to residence. The motion carried.

The Census.

An animated discussion took place on the motion of Col. Hughes expressing the opinion that abridgement of Canadian officers and men should be enrolled for service abroad.

Dr. Borden, minister of militia, thought that for the present Canadians had sufficient to do to perfect their own militia organization.

The motion was withdrawn.

Won't Fight Abroad.

Mr. McInnes moved that the Imperial government be asked to amend the British North America act of 1867 to provide that the next general census should be taken in the year 1900 and that the census be taken every ten years subsequently. He supported this on the ground that for the purpose of comparison the Canadian census should be taken in the same year as that of the States. The West, he said, had a special interest in the matter owing to the state of its representation in parliament. If the census were taken in 1900 the West and especially British Columbia might be adequately represented in the next parliament. The only objection he had heard was that the census throughout the Empire was taken in 1901 but he did not regard this objection as serious.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier objected to the resolution on the ground that the constitution should not be lightly amended. Before amendments were made the case should not only be strong but overwhelming.

Sir Hilbert Tupper said if the census were taken in 1900 the information obtained would not be available by the time of the Paris exposition. The motion was lost.

The St. Regis Affair.

Advices from Cornwall to-night state that the whole of the St. Regis Indian reserve is in a terrible state of excitement and it is hard to predict the outcome of any further move that may be taken by the authorities in the present spirit of the Indians who are maddened by the death and wounding of their comrades. Anything is possible.

Commissioner Sherwood wired the department that the shooting was done in self defence. Jake Lee, who is a notorious character on the reserve, was shot and sent to the hospital. The two other Indians, hurt are Jake Sany, who received a bullet in his face and Pete, who is in the hospital. Both are in serious condition. The police escaped with their prisoners to a tug boat and the Indians were taken to Huntington gaol.

When Philippine War Ends.

Natives Will Be Allowed Great Liberty in Local Government—German Claims for Damages.

Washington, May 1.—The state department has received a long report by cable from President Schuman of the Philippine commission on the conference that was held at Manila on Saturday between the members of the commission and the representatives of Aguinaldo. The text of the despatch was not made public, but it was stated that Mr. Schuman's report agreed with the Associated Press statement of the proceedings in the conference as called from Manila. It is declared at the state department that the proclamation issued by the commission just before the beginning of the last campaign, presents the maximum concessions to be made to the insurgents by the United States government. The government is willing to accord the natives an opportunity to test their abilities for the Philippine commission proposes to allow them almost complete control of their local affairs. The experiment is already in progress at some point in the Philippines outside the island of Luzon. So far as the reports indicate, these experiments are working well and promise to have a good influence on shaping the attitude towards the United States of a considerable element among the Filipinos, which has been suspicious of our intentions.

Berlin, May 1.—Newspapers of Germany commenting upon the latest news from the Philippines, expresses the hope that the United States will now end the hostilities in the Far East.

The Vossische Zeitung, basing its comment upon private advices from the Philippine islands, says that the continuance of the war is inflicting grave injury upon German commercial interests, and gives details of a number of cases in support of this assertion.

The journal says that the German consul at Iloilo made a list of everything belonging to German citizens that was destroyed or injured in the bombardment, and submitted it to Major-General Otis. In reply the consul has received from Gen. Otis the statement that the United States would not pay the damages claimed as still in possession of the Spaniards. Other German merchants of Iloilo who made representations of a like character to Gen. Otis received similar replies. The paper adds that these and many more claims will probably lead to protracted negotiations at Washington.

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## A CLAIRVOYANT'S MINE.

Fairview Corporation's Superintendent Tells Story of Peachland Superstition.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, May 1.—J. F. Bledsoe, who returned from Fairview, Okanagan, to-day, having received the appointment of superintendent of the Fairview Corporation's interests, is responsible for the statement that a clairvoyant named Madame Tait has by a lucky coincidence raised herself on the pinnacle of fame by going into a supposed trance at Peachland and describing the spot to dig for mineral. Her directions at first brought no result. She told her believing adherents that faith was needed and to try again. They did so and uncovered a body of ore now known as the Morning Star claim, which is turning out a very promising property. Believers are flocking to the woman, and she is almost worshipped in Peachland and has founded a settlement which she says will grow to a great mining city.

Mr. Bledsoe says in speaking of Fairview camp that he will make the Stenwinder a winner. There is in sight a vast amount of ore of low grade, and he has good hopes of the Tinhorn. He says an enormous amount of money has been spent unavailingly in the camp.

## A Dawson News Budget

Robbers Decamp With Safe and  
Contents From Circle  
City.

Contract Let for the Comple-  
tion of Dawson's Drain-  
age System.

Dawson advices to April 16 were received through the arrival of the Danube yesterday.

Alex. Bielenberg, president, and J. K. Leaming, secretary of the Yukon Hot Blast Mining Co., arrived in Dawson on April 9 with six horses and a quantity of machinery 37 days from the coast. A couple of men from Forty-Mile district reached the Yukon metropolis on the same day and reported travel between that point and Dawson extremely dangerous. One of the party broke through the ice and lost his sled and load.

Six sacks of mail, old and new, arrived at Dawson on or about the 9th of April.

Edus Gulch was staked early in April, one hole having been sunk to bedrock, and a prospect found of \$1.20 in five pans.

H. C. Copeland left Dawson on Sunday, April 9, with the last consignment of Nugget Express mail and articles, which he will undertake to bring over the ice this season.

Chas. B. Ertchard died at his cabin on the left fork of Bear creek early in April. He leaves a wife and family living in California.

Plans for a new post office for Dawson have been prepared and work on the building is to be commenced in the spring.

Particulars of the robbery of the Alaska Commercial Company's store at Eagle City on April 4 were received by Danube. The store was left locked and parties unknown visited it at night, loaded a small steel safe on a sleight and with it decamped. The safe was hauled some four or five miles up the river and there left with the hinges knocked off and its contents amounting to about \$2,500, including \$1,400 in gold dust, taken. Word was despatched at once up and down the river and next day two suspects were seen crossing the boundary heading toward Dawson. At the Alaska Commercial Company's wood camp some 20 miles below Forty-Mile an ambush was laid for them with the result that one was captured.

Information from the consular office of the formation of a miners' union to maintain a standard of wages. These, it was decided, should be \$1 an hour for work done on the creeks, the rate to apply also to the unloading of vessels.

The contract for digging a series of ditches to constitute Dawson's drainage system has been let to Davidson & Matthews, whose bid was \$3.30 per cubic yard. The contract is to be completed by May 15, the forfeit being \$100 for each additional day. The whole work can be done, according to the estimate of Engineer Buck, for \$5,000.

James Church McCook has brought suit for the recovery of \$5,000 for damages sustained through the publication of articles concerning him on 15th and 22nd of March.

News comes of a new strike on Tulare creek, a stream flowing into the Yukon about 116 miles south of Dawson. An arrival at Dawson, who joined in a stampede to the place says he saw a \$800 nugget taken off Discovery claim.

This summer will see the introduction of a new method for extracting gold from the frozen hills of Klondike. It consists of blasting the frozen earth and then running the chunks into a stamp mill where it will be crushed fine and made ready for the sluice boxes, thus doing away with the slow process of "burning down." The new plant is being introduced by A. B. Williams, who is now having hauled over the ice for the purpose a 20-stamp mill and a 30 horse-power engine and equipment.

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## City Fathers' Weekly Meeting.

Minister Cotton States Govern-  
ment's Case Respecting  
the Old Cemetery.

Craigflower Road Subject of  
Still Another Petition—  
Committee Reports.

A number of important and some rather unimportant questions occupied the attention of the city council last evening, the meeting lasting about two hours.

A telegram was read from Mr. C. H. Topp, the new city engineer, stating that he would arrive about May 9.

Hon. Mr. Mulock, postmaster-general, wrote that the question of better mail service for the islands of the Gulf was receiving the attention of the department.

From Hon. F. Carter-Cotton came the following letter:

Victoria, April 26, 1899.  
Sir—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 10th instant, addressed to the deputy provincial secretary, enclosing a copy of a report from the committee of the city council of Victoria, relating to repairs required to be made to the old cemetery on Quadra street.

It is true that the council stipulated that the cemetery should be dedicated to the city, but it was pointed out by the government that as the cemetery is within the municipal limits, as defined by the act of 1877, it is proper that the supervision and control of the corporation. I may add that the government is not empowered to deed land for cemetery purposes, but may properly reserve land for such uses; and as the land in question has been dedicated and used as a public burial ground for over forty years, it is not proper that it should be surrendered to the government. The government look upon it as municipal and not crown property, and under the circumstances cannot contribute towards the expenses of repairs. I have the honor to be, Sir, your obedient servant.

F. CARTER-COTTON,  
Chief Commissioner Lands and Works.

Ald. Humphrey stated that the city had renewed the fences around the old cemetery, the government voting \$100, 1894. The time was not long distant when the property should be used for other purposes.

Ald. Hayward moved, seconded by Ald. Humphrey, that a special committee be appointed to wait on the government. This was carried and Ald. Hayward, MacGregor and Beckwith were appointed as the committee.

A. T. Goward, local manager of the street railway company, submitted plans of a street railway bridge to be built over James Bay. These were referred to the city engineer.

Mr. W. Russell wrote as follows:

Victoria, B. C., May 1, 1899.  
To the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Victoria:

Gentlemen,—I have again to call your attention to the damage being done to my property on Jesse street, Victoria West. Since your order was issued, no further work has been done, and I have had to protest against my property being turned into a gravel pit by the city, under the pretence of grading the street. This is no thoroughfare, being only three blocks long, blocked at both ends and next to the water. They come every year and cart away what gravel is wanted to grade the street in the lower part of the district; and the other two blocks on the same street is nearly impassable. Not satisfied with making a grave, they have undertaken to dig a gravel pit. Certainly not for benefits derived, because the salable appearance of the property has been damaged to the extent of \$500. I have no other recourse but to protest against the work. After spilling the front appearance of my property, they have the impudence to order their street workmen to sink holes eight or ten feet deep in the gravel pit. This is the last straw. One poor little seed trespassed on my property from the next block, which is on the Indian reserve. For this I have to contribute \$3 to the city for allowing a thistle to blossom. When I am fined for a trifle like that, for which I was not responsible, what damages do you think I have to contribute for trespass. They tell me that the holes have been filled up; but once a seam is started, no one can say where the leak will stop.

Now, I want this thing investigated. You find the alderman responsible for this outrage and I will fix him plenty. I understand that the same party who is trying to steal a whole street in the same vicinity. I also understand that he states that there was an offer made to the city of the property. That is false. Even if it were so, would an offer hold good for ever, and under all circumstances? He might wait for a year or so longer, and then make an offer to the city, and the city would be able to make a canal to the Arm, which is only a few feet away; and with scows to load it in, they will have enough dirt to fill the James Bay mud flat.

Hoping you will give this your earliest consideration, yours respectfully,  
WILLIAM RUSSELL.

Ald. Humphrey said the city workmen were simply grading the street. Last year Mr. Russell offered the gravel on his land to the city for \$200, and the street superintendent had simply sunk holes to see what the gravel was worth. He had filled them in.

The letter was received and filed. Mr. B. Boggs wrote that 110 names were on the petition asking that Craigflower road be put in condition. He asked that the correct number of names be entered on the minutes.

The writer will be informed that this has been done.

Mrs. S. Blake asked for a water supply. This was referred to the water commissioner to report.

Mr. W. G. Luker applied for the position of foreman of the work of laying permanent sidewalks. Referred to the city engineer.

City Treasurer Kent reported that seven parties had not paid their taxes under the branch sewers by-law, the amount due being \$263.

The city treasurer will be asked to take steps to collect the amount. Isaac Sharples offered to take the position of sanitary officer for \$75 a month. Laid on the table.

The city solicitor reported that the council had the power to order the removal of laundries that were a nuisance or eyesores, but could not order the removal of the buildings.

A committee consisting of Ald. Beckwith, Hayward and Williams was appointed to look into the matter.

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## SHARES, METALS AND GRAIN.

Holiday on the London Exchange—  
Bears Have Own Way in  
New York.

By Associated Press.  
New York, May 1.—The Commercial Advertiser's financial cable from London says: "There was a good demand for money for repayment of nearly a million to the bank. Silver was stationary. Only a few dealers were in town owing to the stock holiday."

New York, May 1.—The stock market to-day suffered severely from general liquidation and confident operations by the bears. The passage of the Ford franchise bill early unsettled the market because of the weakness displayed by the stocks most concerned.

N. Y. CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Apr 30	May 1
Am. Cot. Oil.....	38	38
Am. Tob.....	215	215
Am. Sugar.....	100 1/2	100 1/2
Am. Spirits.....	13 1/2	13 1/2
Atchafalpa.....	20 1/2	20 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio.....	73	73
Can. Pac.....	57 1/2	58
Ches. & Ohio.....	27 1/2	28 1/2
C. R. & Q.....	149 1/2	150
C. S. W.....	149 1/2	150
C. M. & P.....	115 1/2	116
C. M. & St. P.....	120 1/2	121
Cons. Gas, N. Y.....	177 1/2	178
Del. Hud.....	113 1/2	114
Gen. Elec.....	118 1/2	119
L. & N.....	68	68
M. & E.....	113 1/2	114
M. & N.....	40	40
Nat. Lead.....	33 1/2	34
Nor. Am. Co.....	12	12
N. P. com. new.....	72 1/2	73
N. Y. C. & H.....	139	137 1/2
Omaha com.....	97 1/2	98
Pac. Mail.....	51 1/2	52 1/2
Phil. & Reading.....	15 1/2	16
Southern Ry. com.....	12 1/2	13
Texas & Pacific.....	22 1/2	23
U. S. Leather pfd.....	73 1/2	74
U. S. Rubber.....	53 1/2	54
Union Pac. receipts.....	40 1/2	41
Wabash pfd.....	23 1/2	24
Western Union.....	92 1/2	93
Wm. St. Ry.....	6 1/2	6 1/2
Brooklyn Rapid Transit.....	125 1/2	126
Com. Cable in Montreal.....	186	186

PRODUCE AT CHICAGO.

	May 1
Wheat—May.....	71 1/2
July.....	73 1/2
Sept.....	75 1/2
Oct.....	77 1/2
Nov.....	79 1/2
Dec.....	81 1/2
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Feb.....	85 1/2
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July.....	407 1/2
Aug.....	409 1/2



## To Complete The Circuit.

Men Leave on the Willapa to  
Construct the West Coast  
Telegraph Line.

## Avalanche Glides Into Northern Water as the Cutch Passes.

A steamer for West Coast points and one for Northern British Columbia ports sailed last night, both with full cargoes. The Willapa, the West Coast vessel's cargo was chiefly that of machinery for the Rose Marie mine on the Elk river, Clayoquot. She had a large passenger list, ten men being included in it who are going down to Alberni to complete a telegraph line from Alberni to Carmanah point. There is already a telegraph line to Carmanah and to Alberni, and by stretching the new wire between these two points a double service will thus be effected. Other passengers were Miss Green, C. T. Penwill, J. Murray, H. Hanson, W. A. Dye and G. A. Huff. The Queen City, the northern boat, was loaded principally with cannery supplies. She carried as passengers F. Robinson, Wm. Baller, H. D. Honorybrook, H. R. Br. Mrs. McLaughlin, M. Bornstein and Mrs. Kirkland and family.

### BIG SNOW SLIDE.

Field of Ice Descends Into the Sea  
Opposite Treadwell Mines.

Steamer Cutch arrived at Vancouver from the North on Sunday. The News-Advertiser says as she was steaming into Juneau, a big snow slide took place on the slope opposite the Treadwell mines. The slide happened in the dead of night, and as the huge masses of snow and rock swept down towards the water they carried trees and everything before them. The noise of the slide was plainly heard on board the vessel, but it was not known if any damage to life or property was sustained.

### MARINE NOTES.

Tug Lorne tows the ship Hercules, now in the Royal Roads, to Chemainus to-day, where she loads lumber for the United Kingdom.  
The American ship Alce, McNeil will be towed out to Albert Head to-day to complete her lumber cargo with props.  
Capt. Meyer and his well-appointed command are thus referred to in the Skagway Budget: "The popularity of the Danube, her master, Capt. Meyer, and Purser Bishop is a matter of favorable comment in the steamboat circles. Every other Wednesday morning the Budget rounder has a hand-shake from some of the officers, so regular are the trips."

## The City Council.

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pointed to interview Mr. Coburn, who complained of a laundry on Pioneer street.

Ald. Brydon said it was apparent on the surface that Mr. Coburn wanted to purchase the lot, and he was using the council as a lever to assist him. The council should go slow.

Mayor Redfern said the residents of the vicinity had petitioned for the removal of the laundry.  
Ald. Brydon explained that the owner of the laundry had expended considerable money in improvements. The council should let the two parties settle their own differences.

The city engineer recommended that a drain be laid on Fernwood road to connect with the drain on Camosun street, at a cost of \$85; and that \$45 be expended on a drain in front of Mr. James Maynard's residence, North Pandora avenue.

The report was adopted, as was also one from the city carpenter recommending the repairing of sidewalks in various parts of the city.

Dr. R. L. Fraser, medical health officer, reported that an epidemic of a mild form of measles had about abated. He explained how patients were dealt with, no children were there were measles being allowed to return to school until three weeks after the patient had recovered.

Mr. R. Chipease tendered his resignation as plumbing, sanitary and sewerage inspector, to take effect on May 31.

Ald. Humphrey moved that the resignation be accepted, and the city clerk authorized to call for applications at a salary of \$80 a month, \$10 less than at present.

Ald. Stewart moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Hayward, that the officer be paid the same salary as at present.

Both motion and amendment were defeated on the votes, and the matter had to lay over.

The following petition from residents of Victoria West was read:

To His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Victoria:

We, the undersigned property owners and residents of Victoria West, respectfully present:

That the question of closing up or maintaining the old Craigflower road has engaged the attention of the board of aldermen since Victoria West was included within the city limits, and so far without any beneficial results.

Thirty-seven years ago Victoria West, from the Indian reserve to Russell street, was surveyed and subdivided into lots, with ample street accommodation, and these lots were sold to many purchasers according to this map.

The said map is filed in the land registry office at Victoria.

A reference to the map will show the contour of the old Craigflower road as cutting through blocks L, N and P diagonally, thus destroying the utility of some twenty lots and depriving the owners thereof of the full and proper use of the same.

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So long as none of the streets shown on said maps were graded and macadamized, the owners of the said lots made no effort to have said portion of the Craigflower road closed, but now that some of these streets are in good order and others are being made so, we submit that there is no longer any fair and just reason why these lot owners should be kept out of the possession of their property any longer.

The existing streets afford as good and convenient facilities for getting to the city as the old road gave, and both road and streets are unnecessary.

It is submitted that modern municipal government, keeping up to date with modern ideas and following on lines of progress and advancement, would naturally seek to eliminate all crooked lanes and byways and substitute in lieu thereof straight, permanent and light-paving streets and walks.

Apply this to Victoria West, remove the present displeasing and unsightly disfigurement and give us instead thereof straight and permanent streets.

The continuation of the present state of affairs prevents improvement, retards the progress of the city and creates ill-feeling and annoyance.

A special committee will report on the question next week.

A resident of Oak Bay avenue asked for a box drain on that thoroughfare.

The engineer will report on this.

Three tenders were received for supplying paving blocks as follows: J. A. Sayward, 3x15x5, \$9.35 per thousand; 3x15x5, \$10.95; 3x15x6, \$11.25; 3x15x7, \$13.13; Shawinigan Lake Lumber Co., 3x15x5, 3x15x6, \$12. 3x15x5, \$11.75; 3x15x7, \$13.75; Taylor Mill Co., 3x15x6, \$9.50; 3x15x6, \$11.30; 3x15x5, \$11; 3x15x7, \$13.25.

The contract was awarded to Mr. Sayward.

The Old Men's Home committee recommended that W. Tallard be admitted to the home.

The report was adopted.

The city engineer recommended that 1,000 feet of paragon cotton rubber-lined fire hose, 2 1/2-inch, be purchased for the new fire hall from the Gutta Percha & Rubber Manufacturing Co., Toronto, at 90 cents a foot.

Ald. Beckwith thought tenders should be called for, while Ald. Stewart said the same hose purchased from American companies would cost \$1.05 a foot. Tenders had been invited for hose in previous years, and the price submitted was the standard price.

The report was adopted.

A special committee recommended that the proposals from the city scavengers for a change in the regulations governing the removal of garbage be not entertained.

Some aldermen wanted the time for removing garbage extended until 10 o'clock in the morning, but the report was adopted as presented.

The finance committee recommended that \$100 be appropriated for the purpose of examining the city bridges.

Ald. Brydon wanted to know why the city officials could not do the work.

Mayor Redfern said the city engineer needed assistance.

Ald. Hayward said the bridges should be thoroughly examined, and they should be made strong enough to carry fully loaded cars. It was absurd that cars had to be partially unloaded every time they approached a bridge.

Mayor Redfern said the engineer was thoroughly satisfied of the safety of the Rock Bay and Point Ellice bridges, and would examine James Bay bridge this week.

Ald. Brydon said he heard that Mr. E. Bragg had been appointed inspector of the new fire hall, and that Mr. Bragg and the contractor were partners.

Mayor Redfern said Mr. Bragg had denied that any partnership existed.

Ald. Williams handed in a list of sidewalks that needed repair.

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## DEADMAN'S ISLAND.

The action of the Commissioner of Lands and Works in taking possession of Deadman's Island gives a new turn to that affair. We feel bound to commend this course, whatever the result of the legal battle thus precipitated may be, for it is the bounden duty of the government to assert the rights of the province under all circumstances.

The position in which this places Mr. Martin is embarrassing, that is if anything can embarrass him. At a time when the government needs his advice on a delicate legal question, he is retained by a private individual whose claims are directly hostile to those of the province, which it is Mr. Martin's sworn duty to uphold. Under such circumstances as have arisen, it is clearly Mr. Martin's duty to tender his resignation and allow the Lieutenant-Governor to say whether or not he feels able to continue him in office. Mr. Martin is clearly not in a position to advise the Lieutenant-Governor on this matter or to be of any assistance to his colleagues in sustaining the claim, which they have made on behalf of the province. If he does not resign, Mr. Semlin has, it seems to us, only one line of duty to follow, namely, to ask him to do so. Mr. Martin's right to accept a retainer from Mr. Ludgate is indisputable, but by so doing he has disqualified himself, unwittingly no doubt, to remain Attorney-General, and should vacate his office immediately.

## VICTORIA AS A TERMINAL POINT

That Victoria may become an important terminal point for commerce on the ocean is clear enough, but before such a result can be reached, the city must be connected with the continental railway systems. Victoria has the advantage of proximity to free ocean navigation and possesses, or can readily be provided with harbor facilities equal to a very large foreign trade. It is not necessary to enter into comparisons with other points on the coast, for the question to be considered by the people of this city is not whether they can offer greater inducements to commerce than any place else, but whether what they can offer are such as are likely to attract business. The same rule holds good in a matter of this kind as in, say, the dry goods business. A merchant does not profess to be able to do better by his customers than anyone else, but simply to do as well, and he hopes by doing as well to command a fair share of what business is going. In contemplating the future of the commerce of the Pacific and making preparations to secure a fair share of it, we must get above the idea of the townsie boomer and look at the matter from a business point of view.

In illustration of what we mean reference may be made to Boston, which, during the last five years, has made immense strides forward as a terminal point. But Boston is only a short distance south of Portland, the terminus of the Grand Trunk system and a few hours ride north of New York, where all the business of the United States is supposed to centre. As was mentioned in these columns the other day, Boston is expending a large sum of money to erect what will be the largest elevator on the continent, for the purpose of handling its increasing grain trade. Yet all this activity does not prevent Montreal from making great preparations to enlarge its ocean commerce, and we find St. John and Halifax making signal progress in the same line. To suggest that any one port can handle all the trade that will be developed in the immediate future between Canada and the Orient is to exhibit a very meagre conception of what that commerce is likely to be. We are only at the beginning of great things, and the object of Victoria should be to prepare, not to supplant any other city, but to handle a reasonable share

of the enormous business to be built up. Therefore we say that the thing to be considered is not whether some other city can make out a good claim to be the terminal point of oceanic commerce, for this cannot be successfully disputed—we suppose a half-dozen places could be named on the coast, where, if transportation facilities were provided, commerce would find its way in ever-increasing quantities—but what the advantages of Victoria are as a shipping port.

As far as regards ocean transportation, Victoria's position is exceptional. All vessels from the Orient seeking the terminals of the three northern trans-continental railways, must enter the Strait of Juan de Fuca. This is the controlling factor in the situation as it now stands. It is not well to conceal from ourselves the fact that this may be changed by the adoption of some other point either on this island or the British Columbia mainland as the terminus of a new transcontinental line. But we are dealing with things as they are now, and at present all traffic from the ocean enters by way of the Straits. Victoria is the nearest Canadian city to the ocean, and other things being equal it can reasonably hope to receive some commercial benefit from this. Can other things be equalized? We believe they can be. There is no reason whatever why Victoria cannot be made a terminal of the whole continental railway system in the same sense as New York and Boston are its terminals. The fact that our city is on an island is no obstacle. Trains can be transported to this city over the narrow water stretches between this island and the Mainland with as great speed and as much regularity and at least as low a cost as over the same number of miles on any part of the continental railways. The establishing of a ferry would be no more expensive than the construction of a similar number of miles of railway, probably not as much as the average cost of mileage in British Columbia. If then, the conditions of transportation can be equalized to what they would be if the city were on the Mainland, the proximity of the port to the ocean will give us an advantage as a terminal for trans-Pacific commerce. We shall refer to this matter again.

## A SUGGESTION REVIVED.

In 1816 Henry Clay, one of America's greatest sons, organized the American Colonization Association, the object being to establish in Africa a republic of emancipated slaves. For this purpose a tract of land on the Guinea coast was selected and a colony was planted there. It was a failure chiefly because a very unhealthy location was selected. Five years later a tract having a coast line of 500 miles and a depth from the sea of about 50 miles was ceded to the society by the chiefs, who exercised sovereignty over it and the beginning of a permanent settlement was made. Later new territory was obtained by purchase from neighboring chiefs, very much of which is now owned by the society. In 1847 the society surrendered all control of the government of the country, which was thereupon recognized first by Great Britain and afterwards by all the nations as an independent republic and has so remained. It has been very successful and has a large and growing commerce. Only about 19,000 negroes were ever sent from America to Liberia, but immigration from adjacent territory and the requirement of new domains has swelled the population of the republic to about 700,000. Its affairs are in a highly satisfactory condition, thus establishing the ability of the negro to maintain successfully a civilized government and popular institutions, and to impress their advantages upon savage tribes.

Some very sanguine people thought they saw in Liberia the solution of the slavery question, and it was expected that it would be found possible to transplant the whole African population of the United States to the new republic, but these anticipations were soon found to be visionary, so that the general disposition was to vote that Liberia was a failure. The very acute nature of the race problem in the South has once more focussed public attention upon this republic, and the suggestion of an extensive scheme for assisted emigration thither is regarded with much favor. Liberia is admirably adapted for colonization. Its soil is fertile and its climate healthy. The statement is made upon excellent authority that the 20,000 or less American negroes who went there, and their descendants, now pay taxes upon at least \$300,000,000 worth of property.

Although Liberia is at present entirely independent of any other nation, and although the desire of the people has been to regard the United States in the light of a protector, it is intimated in responsible quarters that a direct protectorate on the part of Great Britain would not be unwelcome, in view of the disposition of France to assert a claim to any territory in West Africa not already in the hands of the Great Powers. The Liberian experiment is likely to prove an extremely interesting one, and may aid in solving one of the most difficult problems with which the United States is concerned.

## THE ENCORE NUISANCE.

There is a movement on foot in the East to get rid of the encore nuisance. An encore has long since ceased to be recognized as a compliment. Most artists and most amateurs, for that matter, know that a little trick of manner will get one, when meritorious work will not. In vaudeville performances the encore forms a regular part of the programme. Every one knows this. When a dancer goes off the stage with an extra flirt of her skirts, the gallery knows that she has a few more steps, or perhaps a bit of tumbling or contortion to do, and she

is promptly called back to perform it. The singer of topical songs always has a verse or two in reserve, and when he has exhausted the local hits closes with something so terribly suggestive of chestnuts that even the noisiest gallery god realizes that there is no longer anything to be gained by applause. So much of this sort of thing a recognized part of a vaudeville programme that the entertainment is arranged on that basis. These, however, are not encores. If the manager thought the performers would not be called back, they would be directed to do their whole act at once. The encore is the nuisance which stretches out a performance of sixteen numbers to thirty, which prolongs an entertainment, which ought to be two hours long, to three and a quarter, a tribute of merit to perhaps one or two, which is extended to others, who do not merit it, because of a desire to treat all alike, or towards the end of the performance is withheld altogether, because everyone is tired and wants to go home. The encore is no longer recognized by true artists as a test of skill, and the movement to do away with it is said to be meeting with the most cordial co-operation of those who are likely under any circumstances to receive it.

THE PREMIER'S  
ANNOUNCEMENT.

The announcement of Sir Wilfrid Laurier that certain railway resolutions will shortly be submitted to parliament will be generally understood as meaning that a new lot of subsidies are to be voted. We have anticipated as much and it was with this in mind that we have urged the presentation of the claims of Vancouver Island to an extension of its railway system. We hope the representatives of British Columbia, no matter what their politics may be, will unite in an effort to secure for this province something like a fair measure of justice. As was pointed out by Senator Macdonald recently in the Senate, this province contributed to the revenue of the Dominion in the year ending June 30th last the vast sum of \$3,035,522. No one pretends that more than half this amount can be properly charged against us out of the total expenditure of Canada, no matter what basis we calculate. Our claim for liberal treatment is based therefore upon our present due and upon the direct financial gain to the Dominion which will flow from the opening of the country by railways.

The government proposes to go on with its redistribution bill, and this taken in connection with the prospect of railway subsidies may be taken as indicative of an early dissolution, with Senate reform, which is also to form the subject of a resolution, as one of the planks in the government platform. On the whole the outlook is for a very much more important session than was anticipated.

## PASSING COMMENT.

The Cumberland News favors railway construction to the northern part of Vancouver Island and says that there is much fertile land available for settlement which would thereby be opened up.

The Edinburgh Scotsman comes to hand with an engraving showing the new structure to be erected by its proprietors at its office of publication. There is no newspaper building in America to be compared with it.

The New Westminster Sun says that the progress made in rebuilding that city is almost incredible until one witnesses it for himself. The Colonist always had faith in the Royal City and rejoices in its prosperity.

The Globe thinks that if a bona fide proposition were made to the citizens to secure railway connection with the C. P. R., it would be adopted. There is no doubt about that, provided the amount asked is at all reasonable.

The Vancouver World says that Canada would make a big fight before being handed over to the United States. If it ever came to fighting there would be no annexation. The United States could not conquer Canada, and what is more, would not try to do so.

The Times affects to regard the suggestion that the province owns Deadman's Island as "funny." Well, there is an element of the farcical about the matter. To see the Attorney-General laboring to secure the island for his private client, while his colleagues are trying to establish the right of the Crown to it, is worthy of a Gilbert & Sullivan opera.

Commenting upon a statement in the Railroad Gazette to the effect that the C. P. R. proposes to build a line from Midway to Republic, in the State of Washington, the Spokesman-Review believes the proposal, if it was seriously meant, will now be abandoned, and that an agreement exists between the Canadian road and the Great Northern to keep out of each other's territory.

The Winnipeg Tribune thinks that none of the alleged reasons for the withdrawal of the Kettle River charter account for it, and believes that Mr. Corbin's action is the result of a deal between the C. P. R. and the G. T. R. The Tribune claims that these two great railways can influence so many members that when they united either for or against a measure its fate is settled. Under any circumstances that can be suggested great railway corporations will exercise a profound influence upon legislative bodies, but we are not yet prepared to assent to the proposition of the Winnipeg paper that the time has come when the presidents of the lines mentioned should be crowned joint kings of Canada.

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The amount of secrecy surrounding the municipal business of Victoria seems without reasonable excuse. Why should the public not be put in possession of the new regulations of the fire department as soon as they come into operation?

It is said to be impossible to write an intelligible sentence that will contain all the letters of the alphabet and contain them only once. We give the statement for what it is worth, and suggest that some readers try their ingenuity at it.

So the light on Brothie Ledge is to be in operation this year. Well, it is surprising what things do happen if only enough time is given. All things come to him who waits, and now we shall not be surprised to hear that the Quadra's crew have received their pay, out of which they have been kept since January.

The announcement made by Lord Salisbury that the agreement between Great Britain and Russia as to China is such as will secure peace between those powers for a long time to come will be welcome news. This is one of those far-reaching matters that will have a material effect upon business of all kinds.

And so Victoria must put up with the George E. Starr for some time yet. We do not underestimate the difficulty of getting a suitable steamer for that run at short notice, and can only hope that not a day will be lost in providing one. There is a feeling around the city that Messrs. Dodwell & Co. ought to put the City of Seattle on the route while waiting for a new ship.

The United States treasury and the banks of that country complain of a plethora of gold. This does not mean that they have more money than they can handle, but simply that business transactions call for so small a quantity of gold that the metal lies in their vaults unused. How very small a part of the world's business is done with gold coin is hardly realized by the general public. It has been said that only about 5 per cent. is done with money of any kind, the remainder being carried on with checks, drafts and other paper. If this is so, the amount done with gold must be small indeed. Great Britain, France and some of the Western States are the only parts of the world where gold coin is in general circulation.

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## A FEW ITEMS.

6 pieces Tapestry Carpets, regular price 35c, Thursday, 20c.  
5 pieces Madras Carpets, regular 50c, Thursday, 30c.  
8 pieces Tapestry Carpet, regular 50c, Thursday, 35c.  
18 pieces regular 85c, Thursday, 60c.  
23 pieces Best Tapestry carpet regular \$1.00 Thursday, 75c.  
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**Voters' List Revised.**—The provincial voters' list for Esquimalt was yesterday revised by Mr. Harvey Combe. Sixty names of naval and military men were removed in accordance with the act passed at the last session of the legislature.

**Going to Kootenay.**—Before he takes his long-promised trip to the Atlin country, it is the intention of Hon. J. Fred Hume to make a tour of Kootenay, for which district he will leave shortly. He desires to see for himself the position of affairs with respect to the eight-hour law in the mines.

**Sidewalk Riders Fined.**—There were two transgressors of the bicycle by-law before the city police magistrate yesterday, the one having yielded to the temptation of pedalling on the footpath on Esquimalt road, and the other being apprehended on Burdette avenue. Each contributed a fine of \$3.

**The Full Court.**—After hearing argument on the appeal of Haney v. Dunlop and serving judgment the Full court yesterday adjourned until this morning. The application was to set aside an order renewing a writ. The peremptory list for renewal is as follows: Stamer v. Hall; Mines; Fell v. Onkes; Collier v. Hibben; Cordingley v. McArthur.

**Inland Revenue Collections.**—April's receipts for division No. 37, Inland Revenue of Canada, amounted in total to \$20,599.11, divided as follows: Spirits, \$15,068.38; malt, \$2,508.41; manufactured tobacco, \$3,975.12; raw leaf tobacco, \$275.60; cigars, \$698.10; inspection of petroleum, \$13.50.

**Month's Donations.**—Manager Hobbs of the Home for the Aged and Infirm acknowledges the following donations received during the month of April: Reading matter, Messrs. N. Shakespeare, T. Shobolt, G. Marsden, Alderman Mac-

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**A Neat Little Novelty.**—Quite the neatest souvenir of Victoria in its way that has yet been issued is the mail card folder of half-tone views which T. N. Hibben & Co. have just placed on sale. It contains an excellent set of well-selected views, with space for date and signature, a seal-clasp fastening that is ingenious in itself and goes through the mails for a one-cent stamp.

**Made a Big Hit.**—The San Francisco papers as well as letters from the B. N. City speak of the reception accorded to Miss Georgie Cooper on her return to the Tirol as a veritable ovation. The cheering when she first appeared in her role of Mollie in "The Geisha" was so enthusiastic and prolonged that for eight minutes the play awaited the pleasure of the audience. A dozen or more baskets of handsome flowers also attested the popularity of the vivacious soubrette.

**Dishonest Bluejackets.**—A W. Johnson, a sailor from H. M. S. Amphion, and Alfred Brown, from the Phaeton, were arrested on a warrant yesterday afternoon, and are now lodged in the city police station with a charge of theft recorded against them. The complainant is Fred W. Bowes, one of the C. P. R. telegraph company's messengers, and the case in brief is that the two sailors men helped themselves to Bowes' \$45 bicycle, which was left standing in the rack in Tronca avenue; rode it to Esquimalt; and there sold it for \$10 to Fred McAdam, of the New Inn.

**Will Organize a Stock Company.**—Among the passengers for the Mainland this morning was Mr. Fred Cooper, the veteran actor and manager of the theatrical enterprises, who has taken in hand the organization of a first-class stock company for the Alhambra theatre, Vancouver. He will have for leading man, Mr. Edward H. Bell, and for leading woman the lady who with Mr. Bell stood at the head of the Henderson Dramatic Company's cast of this season. Their support will be correspondingly strong, and it is the intention to play the four Coast cities of the province in somewhat the same manner as Harry Lindley, but producing standard plays that are both up-to-date and of the highest quality. The names of those making up the company will be made public in a week or two.

**Fires of the Past Month.**—Through the burning of R. Porter & Sons' Figgard street stables on the night of the 1st, and the burning of S. N. Reid's stock on the 19th, the fire loss of Victoria for April is brought up to \$8,250 in all, the memorandum of fires and alarms for the month being as follows: April 1, 3:25 a.m., box 27, fire at two-story frame stable, Figgard street, owners R. Porter & Sons, loss estimated at \$1,000, no insurance; April 10, 1 p.m., box 25, no fire; April 13, 3 p.m., fire at one-story frame building, No. 137 Menzies street, cause unknown, loss \$50; April 18, 5:40 p.m., box 9, incendiary fire at two-story unoccupied frame building, Laing's shipyard, Dallas road, no loss; April 19, 5:55 a.m., fire at two-story brick, No. 122 Government street, owner R. J. Russell, occupant Samuel Reid, cause unknown, estimated loss on stock \$6,500, on building \$350, total \$6,850, value of stock \$25,000, insurance on building \$2,000, insurance over loss \$10,150; April 20, 2:20 p.m., telephone alarm, fire on roof of shed at No. 44 Rae street, owner Mrs. C. E. McKay, cause sparks, no loss.

**Will Meet This Morning.**—The May meeting of the Friendly Help is to be held in the association's rooms in the market building this morning at the usual hour. A good attendance is asked for, as business of special importance is to be discussed.

**Looking for Norton.**—The city police just at the present time would very much like to form the acquaintance of a smooth-spoken chap calling himself Mr. Norton, who is wanted to explain his business methods. He is alleged to have made a house-to-house canvass of the residential section, looking for pictures from which enlargements were wanted. The canvasser collected 50 cents as a deposit when taking the order—and the pictures are not forthcoming.

**Arrests for April.**—Misdemeanor cases were largely in the majority according to the police journal for April, there

being 19 "drunks" and 19 "by-law cases" out of a total of 63. The other entries were: 1, homebreaking; 2, indecency; 1, juvenile act; 1, for lodgings; 4, malicious injury to property; 1, public morals; 4, Indians in possession of intoxicants; 1, supplying intoxicants to Indians; 1, stealing; 4, using threatening language; 2, of unsound mind; 1, vagrancy; 5.

**Light-Fingered Folk.**—At a recent auction sale on Douglas street quite a diversion was occasioned through a dispute arising between the auctioneer and a female bidder, which culminated in the latter being ejected with her little boy. Threats were freely indulged in—the auctioneer was to be punished for the assault—but as against the police court has heard nothing of the dispute. Should the case come up the auctioneer promises to show that the mother and son have made a business of following sales and helping themselves to small odds and ends without money and without price.

**Accidental Death.**—All the circumstances in connection with the killing of the Chinaman, Quan Quok Quen at Saanich on Friday night pointing so indisputably to accident, the coroner decided that an inquest would not be necessary. The body of the poor wretch crushed to death by the falling tree was brought to town by Sergeant Langley and buried yesterday in the Chinese cemetery at Ross Bay cemetery. The two companions of the dead man are recovering from their injuries, no bones having been broken.

**Thankfully Acknowledged.**—The following donations to the Old Women's Home during the month of April were very thankfully acknowledged by the committee of that charitable institution: From Mrs. P. T. Johnston, doughnuts; Mrs. G. Moore, rhubarb and vegetables; Mrs. Fisher, milk, pie and blanc mange; Mrs. Tite, crackers; Mrs. Ellsworth, butter; Mrs. Bennett, butter; Mrs. Goodacre, stockings, clothing, etc.; Miss Lucas, oranges; Miss Foster, flowers; Miss Shumlin, hat, dress and curtains; Mr. J. Hovner, teapots; "A Friend," papers and cash; the Dorcas Society of Christ church cathedral, aprons; Dauntless Lodge, C. O. O. F., sandwiches and apples; B. C. Market Co., sausages; and daily papers, from the publishers.

**Protecting the Grouse.**—Although the Indians of the district are quite cognizant of the provisions of the Game act, a lively trade in both grouse and pheasants has been done by them during the past month or two, one of the city restaurants at least making the boast that its patrons can always get a nice hot bird whenever the luxury is asked for.

**Henry, of the Cowichan tribe,** arrived at the city on the 19th, and was met by Sergeant Langley on his way to town from Saanich with a well-filled game bag, and when the Sergeant asked him what he had in the bag, put on a most innocent air and suavely replied: "Clams." But the officer was skeptical, and investigation disclosed ten brace of fine, plump birds. In the provincial court yesterday Magistrate Hall imposed a fine of \$15, strangely enough without the alternative of imprisonment, and with the further information to the Indian that whether he paid the fine or not, he could not be sent to gaol.

**Miss Armon's Recital.**—This evening Miss Helen M. Armon will give a recital at the Philharmonic hall under the patronage of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. McInnes, and with the assistance of Mr. Gideon Hicks, pianist; Miss Laura M. Adams, baritone; and Mr. B. H. Russell, accompanist. Miss Armon's readings will include "The Old Man's Story" (George R. Sims), "The Womanly Scheme" (by R. West), "The Road to Heaven" (George R. Sims), and "The Typewritten Letter" (J. E. Stinson)—besides which she will give with Mr. Hicks the vocal duet, "Harp of the Wind" (Abb), and close the evening with a series of studies.

**Mr. Hicks' solo numbers** are "She Alone" (Grimm), "My Sadness" (Gounod), and "Siz, Fol's old favorite," "Off to Philadelphia" (Haynes); while Miss Adams' solos will be chosen from the works of Liszt, Paganini and Kowalski. The concert commences promptly at 8:15 o'clock.

**"The Devil's Auction."**—On Friday evening Charles H. Yale's "Devil's Auction" will be presented at the Victoria theatre. It is customary with this popular spectacle each year to inject such a vast amount of new matter, novel and timely ideas into this performance as to render it comparatively new to the eye and ear. This year the management claims to have exceeded by far any previous production of "The Devil's Auction" in the introduction of newly created features, scenes, costumes, ballets, specialties and ensemble which go towards making a great performance.

**John R. Wilkins and Ralph M. Bechtel,** Manager Yale's special artists, have, with a large corps of assistants, devoted the entire summer to creating and originating new scenic effects. Prominent among artist Wilkins' and Bechtel's latest efforts are "The Cavern of Gigantic Heads," "The Garden of the Blue Dragon," "The Golden Palace of Flowers," and the new transformation entitled "The Flight of Time. Signor V. Romeo, the new Maître de Ballet of Manager Yale's attractions, has designed a new and new repertoire of ballets, among which are "The Festival Fantastique," "The Feast of the Mandarins," and what promises to be a great novelty, "Les Dance de Soma." The dramatic cast of this season shows quite a number of changes. Ben P. Grimell, a clever singing and dancing comedian, has been engaged for the part of Toby; while Miss Mayme Mayo, who combines excellent musical qualities with the most taking kind of soubrette work, has been re-engaged as Janel, the milkmaid; also a most notable engagement has been made in that of Miss Sadie Stephens, the contralto singer, who will appear as the hero Carlos.

**Gardiner, a clever dancer,** will appear as the heroine Madeline; Miss Madge Torrance, a statuesque English beauty, as Chrystaline the Good Fairy; and Mildred Holden as the wicked Countess Xaxier Fortune. Eight strong vaudeville features will add zest to the performance, and as a special feature "Little Miss Columbia," a phenomenal little dancer, has been added to the list of novelties. In order to avoid the risk of losing this attraction through the Sound boat being late, Manager Jamieson has arranged for them to come over on Thursday's boat, the performance being given on Friday.

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Several lots on Toronto, Powell and Michigan streets (from).....	900
One and a half acres on Old Esquimalt road.....	
10-foot lot on Government street, adjoining Bank of Montreal.....	

## DEMAND FOR PROHIBITION.

Methodist Congregation in Saanich Passes a Strong Resolution.

The following is a resolution which was passed almost unanimously by the Methodist church congregation of Saanich on the 16th and 23rd of April:

Whereas, parliament called for a plebiscite in this Dominion on the question of the prohibition of the liquor traffic, with the following results:

1. The people taking the opportunity in good faith polled "a large vote under the circumstances" as admitted by the Premier, that is to say, 44 per cent. of the electorate, which is large as compared with the percentage usually polled on questions or by-laws submitted to the electors when no other election is being held, resulting in a majority of nearly 124,000 for prohibition, or carrying 128 constituencies for and 85 against prohibition.

2. In Quebec, the only province giving an adverse vote, the vote against prohibition was mainly French-Canadian and evidently actuated by some other motive than favor for the liquor traffic, or desire for strong drink, for only about one-third of the rural municipalities had liquor licenses issued in their last year.

3. Outside of Quebec province the poll for prohibition was 28 per cent of names on voters' lists, whereas the Liberal party in 1896 had only 25 per cent. Again more than five persons voted for prohibition for every three against it, and 120 constituencies were carried for prohibition while only 28 were carried against it, the average majority in each case being much greater on the side of prohibition.

4. While the vote in Quebec was over four to one against prohibition, that in all the remainder of the Dominion was in favor of prohibition as follows: Prince Edward Island over six to one; Nova Scotia over six to one; Manitoba over four to one; New Brunswick nearly three to one; Northwest Territories over two to one; and British Columbia nearly five to four.

Therefore be it resolved, that we do most earnestly uphold the "Dominion Alliance" in its attitude concerning prohibitionary duty in the matter referred to, in response to the expressed will of the people of this Dominion; and we feel that the Dominion parliament would be acting as traitors to the country and triflers with the electors if they utterly ignore the voice of the interested electorate, and especially of the remarkable large majority outside of Quebec availing of the pernicious luxury are by no means confined to the willing supporters of the liquor traffic.

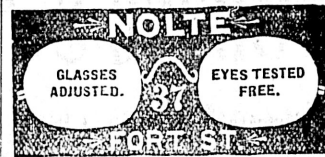
**Bennett Lake Lands.**—As a sequel to the invitation of tenders for the townsite lands at Bennett Lake by the provincial government, these lands have been disposed of to the Bennett Lake & Klondike Co., of which Mr. F. M. Rattenbury is manager—their tender having been the highest. The Messrs. Turner, who were rival claimants for the land in question, under a verbal agreement with the late government that was somewhat indefinite in its character, have also been satisfactorily arranged for.

**Death of W. R. Carlyon.**—Just at the border of man's allotted three score years and ten, Mr. William Ralph Carlyon, of 133 Douglas street, passed away on Sunday after a brief illness, leaving especially bereaved a widow and family of three sons and three daughters. The deceased gentleman was born in Cornwall, England, and came to the West of America about twenty years ago, being a resident of Portland, Ore., until 1889. The funeral is arranged for 3 this afternoon.

**Wedded at Esquimalt.**—Among the passengers for Esquimalt by the fast and commodious steamer George E. Starr this morning are Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Harris of this city, en route to Portland, where their honeymoon will be spent. Mr. Harris, who is a member of the mechanical staff of the Times, was yesterday afternoon united in marriage to Miss Mary J. Tracey, late of North Sydney, C.B., the ceremony being performed in the little parish church in Esquimalt, by Rev. Father Nicolay.

**Incorporation Will Be Granted.**—Two deputations waited upon the local government yesterday in connection with the application for the incorporation of the city of Columbia, in the Boundary commission. For the application Mr. Charles Hay appeared, while in opposition Mr. J. H. Lawson (of Bodwell & Duff) presented the contentions of the city of Grand Forks, which is separated from Columbia by an imaginary line only. Mayor Manley and Secretary Smith of the Grand Forks township company, being in the city, were also examined as to the facts of the case.

**The breed, buns and cake** exhibited by the Calgary Flour people are attracting much admiration. All who are interested in good flour and good bread should make a point of stepping in at the corner of Government street and Tronca avenue and examine the products of Calgary Flour.



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## Ladies of the Burnt Cork.

Victoria Amateurs Again Provide a Surprise for the Public.

Local Celebrities Receive a Full Measure of Chaff.

There was once upon a time a blase man of the world who thought himself a great philosopher, and who summed up his verdict on the world and the little people in it in a declaration that other blase folk have been tireless in quoting ever since. Said he: "There's nothing new under the sun."

And that was before bicycles were invented, or Joe Martin showed British Columbians how to run a government; or the Young Ladies' Jubilee Minstrels were so much as thought of as a possibility.

Had Herr Philosopher waited to see the merry minstrels of the burnt cork as they appeared last night, he would have so amended his verdict that its significance would have been lost for good and all.

For that minstrel show was first of all and above all original. It did not call for one single joke of ancient lineage or for one hackneyed song. It was a daring thing to attempt a ladies' minstrel show; it was a still more commendable accomplishment to carry it out as it was carried out.

The fun commenced just as soon as the curtain went up, and the "oh's" and "ah's" had cleared away, provoked by the beauty of the stage setting and lighting, the semi-circle of black-faced beauties being given an exquisite foliage background in which many-colored electric lights gleamed like brilliant fire-flies, an electric fountain centering and setting off the whole.

The interlocutor, Mr. P. S. Lammman, wore an immense chrysanthemum, his crimson-faced dress suit, and an air of easy complacency. His supporting family were attired in white, with red belts and red and white picture hats. The "ends" were gorgeous in costumes of yellow and black satin—the sunflowers not forgotten.

Of course there was the opening chorus, and then Henrietta de Sunflower, who under her burnt cork bears a marked resemblance to Miss Maude Goodwin, opened the ball from the boxes end.

She wanted to know if Mr. Lammman—beg pardon, Mr. Lammman—knew why it was that S. Perry Mills had shaved his luxurious side whiskers?

Mr. Lammman was seeking information, and Miss De Sunflower proceeded to read a telegram which Mr. Mills had just received from the Prince of Wales, touching upon the arrival of that base pretender, Mr. Cassidy, upon the other side. It would never do, His Royal Highness intimated, for Cassidy to get a start in the game, so for Mr. Mills' guidance he mentioned that his styles for this spring would be open-face and a red vest.

Whatever would minstrels do were it not for such well-known people as Mr. Mills, Mr. Cassidy and the Attorney-General?

As for Hon. Mr. Martin, the Primrose & Dockstadler hit coupling him with the ladies' minstrels was finished off very neatly indeed. Said Lew Dockstadler: "Harry Helmecken just wanted him to be an end man with his ladies' minstrels"—and there Dockstadler's joke ended.

"An' what you think Joe Martin say to him?" inquired Miss Julianna Phoebeanna Brown of Mr. Interlocutor Lammman last evening, finishing off the jest. "I am sure I cannot imagine," replied Mr. Lammman, "what did he say?"

Why, he said that if he couldn't be both ends and the whole show, he wouldn't play at all—that's Mr. Martin."

And the house smiled approvingly. It was not a pin-fine house by any means, and did not unbend itself to laughter, no matter how new and clean-cut the jokes were.

Indeed some of the best were received with a chilly suspicion that they would have to prove their identity. It was so with the story of the dead and dumb man who was so considerate of the feelings of his fellow-passengers that he had his hands tied in order that he would not disturb them by talking in his sleep.

The house saw the point about ten minutes later and chuckled approvingly in the fearful part of Miss Virginia Lee's plaintive little lullaby.

Miss Julianna Phoebeanna Brown (who looks enough like Mrs. Fred Cooper to be that lady's mother's daughter) was "great" at the tango end. She did as neat descriptive work in her caricature of the young lady hailing the car as one would care to see. She was a hit, too, in her song, "Wake Me, Shake Me"—and her gestures and stage detail were admirable in their easy grace.

Later in the evening she made a second hit in her stump-speech; showed the people something swell in the line of cack-walking; and took her prominent part in the "Fun in a Restaurant" scene.

Indeed, she and Miss De Sunflower (otherwise Miss Goodwin) were the two hard-worked people of the company, the latter doing too good songs in the First Part; taking her place in the quartette, and subsequently appearing in Black Patti solos, the quartette, and the restaurant act.

story of the little peach that in the orchard grew. Their voice-blending was most artistic, and their treatment of the various songs in both first and second part highly acceptable.

The second part introduced the Black La Loie Fuller (a danseuse of much the figure of Miss Annie Goodwin) in her serpentine novelties, very gracefully and prettily executed with the fullest advantage of light effects; a singing and dancing quartette who did their work neatly and well; the champion cake-walkers (who really were the poetry of motion personified); and the localized and very comical after-piece, "Fun in a Restaurant"—the act concluding with a grotesque drill of the "Seldom Fed Brigade."

Taken as a whole, the Young Ladies' Jubilee Minstrels are a success for originality; good, clean, bright jokes, well told; very good singing, both solo and quartette (ladies' quartettes being rare indeed); graceful dancing and cake-walking; and charming staging, lighting, costuming and orchestration.

The entertainment was in aid of the X rays fund of the hospital, and was as complete a success financially as when judged from the critic's standpoint.

### THE THING FOR SPRING.

Abbe's Effervescent Salt is not only a spring medicine. It is a general all-the-year-round cleanser of the system and purifier of the blood—but if you have been neglecting your health at other seasons, you should commence to use Abbe's Effervescent Salt now—you could not choose a better time. Abbe's Effervescent Salt is a blood purifier and cleanser of the system, par excellence. Once you commence its use you will continue it. Its effect on the human system is marvellous. It is, besides, a most delicious medicine to take—delightfully palatable—sparkling and invigorating. It is presented and endorsed by the leading physicians of Great Britain, Europe and Canada, and is sold by all druggists at 60 cents a large bottle; trial size 25 cents.

### LOCAL NEWS.

Meet This Evening.—A meeting of the city branch of the J. B. A. A. will be held this evening at the club rooms.

Appeal Dropped.—The appeal of the plaintiff in Martin v. Deane, the North Yale election case, has been dropped.

Hiyu Tyee.—The Songhees will have for a chief for the next four years Michael Cooper, whom they re-elected to office a few days ago.

Fell Into Good Hands.—One of the Northern missionaries at present visiting the city yesterday picked up a pocket book containing \$2,400. An owner was soon found for it.

Death of J. A. Seave.—After a short illness James A. Seave, of Millstream, died on Sunday at the Jubilee hospital. Deceased was 38 years of age. His funeral will take place this afternoon from Hanna's undertaking parlors.

An "At Home"—An "At Home" was given last evening at the residence of Mrs. J. T. McConnell, Oak Bay Junction, under the auspices of the Y. W. C. E. of the First Presbyterian church. A very pleasant evening was spent.

Reception to New Pastor.—A reception social will be tendered Rev. Mr. Knowles, the new pastor of Knox Presbyterian church, Spring Ridge, on Wednesday. The event will take place in the church and an excellent programme will be provided for it.

Don't miss the recital given by Miss Lillian L. Armon, c. o. u. n. i. s. t. May 2nd, in Philharmonic hall, Port street, assisted by Miss Laura M. Adams, pianist; Mr. Gideon Hicks, baritone; and Mr. E. H. Russell, accompanist. Admission, 25 cents. Reserved seats, 50 cents. May be had at MacGregor & Richards' office, Broad street, next Diard.

B. Y. P. U. Social.—The schoolroom of Calvary Baptist church was well filled last evening for the concert given in aid of the B. Y. P. U. The programme presented was a delightful one, consisting of vocal selections by the male quartette of Calvary church choir (Messrs. Watson, King, Etherton and Wriglesworth), readings by Mrs. C. M. Norton and Miss A. G. Brown, a native of the Pacific Coast. The deceased lady came to Victoria in 1859 with her family from Honolulu where Mr. Rhodes had business interests and where they had resided for five years previous to moving to Victoria.

Death of Mrs. Rhodes.—The death occurred on Sunday of Mrs. Rhodes, relief late Henry Rhodes, who during his lifetime conducted one of the largest shipping and merchandise concerns on the Pacific Coast. The deceased lady came to Victoria in 1859 with her family from Honolulu where Mr. Rhodes had business interests and where they had resided for five years previous to moving to Victoria.

Mrs. Rhodes for many years took a prominent part in musical events in Victoria, always lending her assistance at concerts for charity and for the churches. She was a native of London, England, and was 68 years of age. For a number of years past she has been an invalid. A family of two sons, C. W. Rhodes of this city, and H. Rhodes of Vancouver, and five daughters survive her. The daughters are Mrs. Walker, wife of Hon. Mr. Justice Walker; Mrs. J. G. Brown, a native of the Pacific Coast; and the Misses E. and P. Rhodes. The funeral will take place this morning from the residence of Mrs. Janion, Yates street, and later from St. John's church.

Want to Practise.—An examination of candidates for registration under the British Columbia Medical act is to commence at 11 this morning at the parliament buildings.

Out on Strike.—Some time ago the local cigar-makers' union adopted a new and higher scale of wages, which it was announced, would take effect yesterday. All manufacturers employing men, with the exception of Mr. M. Bantly accepted the new scale, Mr. Bantly's men walked out.

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out. About half a dozen men are affected. Regarding the report that the employees of the Province Oiler Company walked out Mr. D. T. Barahart, the manager, denied it absolutely. He did not refuse to accept the new scale.

Odd Fellows' Anniversary.—Rev. Rural Dean W. D. Barber, chaplain of the Odd Fellows, on Sunday preached an eloquent sermon in St. Saviour's church in commemoration of the 80th anniversary of that society. The Odd Fellows attended the service in strong force, all marching in parade to and from the church except the ladies of Golfax Res-bekah lodge, who occupied benches in the procession. The First Battalion band headed the procession and the line of march was by way of Douglas, Yates, Government, Johnson, Store and Work street to the church. During Mr. Barber's sermon reference was made to an Odd Fellows' Old Men's Home, towards the establishment of which the members of the lodge, to be added to a sum now in the bank set aside for the purpose.

Library Returns.—From the city library there were issued in April 1,965 books—to ladies 1,069, to gentlemen 896. The highest number issued in one day was 130, the average number 82. Thirty new members have joined the library—12 ladies and 18 gentlemen. There have been added to the library: English literature, 25; engravings, 3; complete works in English, 2 vols.; Cassell's Household Guide, 2 vols.; Poetry of Science; Achievements of Stanley in Africa; Every Boy's Annual, 1889; 52 Stories for Boys; 52 Stories for Girls; Wild Life in the Land of the Giants; Popular Natural History; Canterbury Tales (Chaucer); Faerie Queene (Spenser); Campbell's Pacific Works; Sheridan's complete works; E. B. Browning's poems; The Abbot and the Monastery (Goldscott); Adventures of a Young Naturalist; The Queen of the Adriatic (Verne); French Fairy Tales; Julian, or Scenes in Judea; The White Bear's Den (Labrador); The Indian Pilgrim; 1001 Home Amusements; A Nutshell of Knowledge (A. L. O. E.); Fairy Know-All (A. L. O. E.); Being a Boy; With Clive in India (Henty); The Son of a Genius; Never Wrong; Dante's Inferno; Collier's British Empire; American Poulter's Companion; New Descriptive Astronomy (Steele); Astronomy (class book).

### GOOD SHOWING.

Customs Returns for the Port of Victoria for Last Month.

The returns of the Victoria customs house for the month just ended make a splendid showing. They are as follows: Duties collected \$8,371.89; Other revenues \$1,315.99; Total \$9,687.88; Import Free \$107,180.00; Dutiable 268,118.00; Total \$375,598.00; Export—Produce of Canada \$4,588.00; Not produce of Canada \$11,791.00; Total \$16,379.00.

Women with pale, colorless faces, who feel weak and discouraged, will receive potent mental and bodily vigor by using Carter-Pills, which are made for the blood and nerves and complexion.

### THEIR FIRST MEETING.

Ladies' Committee of the Protestant Orphanage Meet and Elect Officers.

The first meeting of the newly-elected committee of ladies of the Protestant Orphanage was held yesterday afternoon at the home on Hillside avenue. After the presentation of credentials and other routine business the following officers were elected: Mrs. W. F. McCulloch, president; Mrs. Chas. Hayward, vice-president; Mrs. W. B. H. Jones, treasurer; Miss Edith Carr, hon. secretary.

Several applications for admission to the home were received and referred to the reception committee with power to act. Five applications for girls as domestic helps, and one for a boy to assist on a farm, were referred to a committee for further inquiry.

A large committee of the ladies was nominated to assist in carrying out the details of the promenade and refreshment concert kindly tendered by the Fifth Regiment band in the Drill hall on May 10.

A report from the monthly visiting committee was received and filed, and the following named the committee for May: Mrs. James Hutchison and Mrs. George L. Milne.

The matron reported all well, and receipt of the following donations for April, which are thankfully acknowledged: Mrs. Beaven, secretary of King's Daughters Ministering Circle, 14 one dollar and one work apron; Mr. Beauchamp, two boxes apples; Mrs. Wilkins, clothing; Mrs. Smith, clothing; Mrs. E. C. Baker, clothing; Miss Madigan, clothing; Mrs. McKilligan, clothing; Mrs. McCulloch, clothing, boots and biscuits; Mr. Jack, dried peaches; A Friend, clothing; Mr. Jack, dried peaches; Times, Const and Globe publishing companies, daily papers; Mr. R. E. Knowles, milk daily; Const Vancouver, Ancient Order of Foresters, check for \$10.

### NANAIMO NEWS.

Wellington Hotel Sold.—Protection Miner Hurt—Birth-day Wheel Races Sanctioned.

Nanaimo, May 1.—Customs collections for the month of April were \$9,687.88. The local club has received a sanction for a 24th of May race meet to be held on the Caledonian grounds.

Wallis R. Wilgess and Miss Emily Evans were married this morning and left for the capital on the morning train. George W. Kennedy, who for many years owned the Wellington hotel, will leave shortly to permanently reside in California, having sold his interests to Alex. Zirkovic.

Mrs. Thomas Provis died this morning after a prolonged illness.

Thomas Davis, a miner working in Protection island, was badly injured by a fall of coal.

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## PROVINCIAL NEWS

### NELSON.

A. H. Clements has made a deal for the sale of the Clements-Hillier block for \$18,000.

The contract for the work of straightening out the Columbia & Kootenay railway between Nelson and Robson has been let to W. P. Tierney & Co., of Nelson. The Tribune states that work will begin at once, and the contractors expect to have 200 men working inside of two weeks. The greatest portion of this work is solid rock, of cuts from 40 to 50 feet high, and will require great care to prevent the destruction of trestles that in several places are alongside the cuts. Mr. Tierney has associated with him in the work A. McPhail, who has the reputation of being one of the best rock men in British Columbia.

### KASLO.

W. N. Bratton, who has been the Canadian Pacific's townsite agent, has accepted a similar position with the new & Slokan railway company, and will endeavor to find purchasers for the 230,000 acres of land which the company secured for building the railway from Kaslo to Slokan.

### Y.M.I.R.

This place now has a board of trade, with the following officers and executive committee: S. DesBrisay, president; J. W. Ross, vice-president; A. B. Buckworth, secretary; R. E. Macdonald, treasurer; C. F. Mathers, W. Delahay and J. W. Laidlaw. The membership fee is \$3 per annum.

### ROSSLAND.

Last Thursday R. Marpole, general superintendent of the Pacific division of the Canadian Pacific railway, arrived here with Mr. H. J. Cambie, chief engineer of the Pacific division. They were here on a general tour of inspection, and particularly in reference to broadening the gauge of the Columbia & Western between here and Trail. Mr. Cambie said to the Record: "The work of widening the gauge began yesterday, and will be vigorously pushed until it is completed. The grading is practically all done, and we expect to have the track laid by the last of May, when we will be prepared to give Rossland a much better service." When asked about the depot building he said: "Two sets of plans have been sent to headquarters at Montreal for selection and approval, and as soon as they are returned work will commence. The question of title, however, which is not in my line, I understand is in a fair way of settlement."

Mr. Marpole, Mr. Cambie and Local Engineer A. C. Dennis left for Trail on foot, and Mr. Cambie said they would follow the track and walk all the way. Taking into consideration that Mr. Cambie is 40 years old and the distance between 13 and 14 miles, it might be considered quite a feat, but he referred to the trip as a mere trifle. He says he has recently made 50 miles a day on a railroad bicycle, doing all the propelling himself and stopping to inspect every bridge and culvert.

Death has removed Mrs. Mary Davis, wife of J. J. Davis, one of the Kootenay hotel proprietors.

August Bross was severely hurt in the Le Roi mine at 4 o'clock the other morning. He was setting a fuse at the top of the drift, and the lighted powder fell upon the fuse below. Bross saw the danger, and had time to run for a distance of 40 feet when the blast went off, and thus escaped with his life. As it was, he was struck on the back by a large piece of rock. He was carried to his home in a wagon. The accident will lay Mr. Bross up for a couple of weeks.

### ASHcroft.

Miss Roberts has resigned her position as teacher and will leave for England soon. She leaves unexpectedly on account of the recent death of her father. Ashcroft's young people regret Miss Roberts' departure as she has many friends here. Her sister, now at Victoria, will accompany her across the water.

The principal and pupils have presented the retiring teacher with a handsome toilet case and address.

I. B. Hammond, of Portland, Ore., who is a practical dredging man, is expected to visit Cariboo within a few weeks with a view of securing ground for dredging purposes.

M. DeKeyser-Verbeest has made arrangements with the manager of the Gold Point Mining Company, of Quebec, for putting in a large gold saving plant with a capacity of some 2,000 yards daily. This arrangement was made only after a very thorough test, by Mr. Polleys, of the value of the machine as a gold saver. In the tests made by Mr. Polleys, with the fine gold of the Thompson river, there seemed to be scarcely any loss—in other words, the saving was nearly 100 per cent.

Mr. DeKeyser-Verbeest is naturally feeling much elated over the success of the trials, which certainly go very far towards confirming his claim that he has a remarkable gold saving machine; a combination of quicksilver, cyanide and electricity.

A prospector, John Blackhall by name, brought in some fair specimens of copper ore from his locations on the railroad side of the river, about two and a half miles west of Spatsmum. Mr. Blackhall states that from the small amount of work done he finds that he has a very large lead, 15 or 20 feet or more in width.

The English party that is to leave for the North-west a few weeks for two years' stay, is composed of the following members: Messrs. Vernell, Dowling, Fison, Warren, Orett, Burgess and Potter. The first of the above mentioned is the leader of the expedition. He has been in British Columbia before. All of the members of the party with one or two exceptions are officers in Her Majesty's Royal Naval Reserve or in the Jamaica constabulary. They purpose taking 60 or 70 head of horses with packers, etc., with them.

Messrs. Owen and Wm. Lyne will leave in the course of a few days for the Skeena river, taking in the Lynn saw mill plant, with which they intend to saw out the lumber and get ready for opening up Lorne creek for hydraulic mining. This property, which is highly spoken of, is owned by a syndicate composed in part of Ashcroft men, Messrs. Lyne, Henderson, Barnes and Collins, and Messrs. Webb and Sims, of North Bend.

Mr. A. W. Vovell, superintendent of Indian agencies, from Victoria, spent a few days in town, and is now on his way to the 150-Mile House on business connected with his department. Mr. Vovell has been in Kamloops of late.

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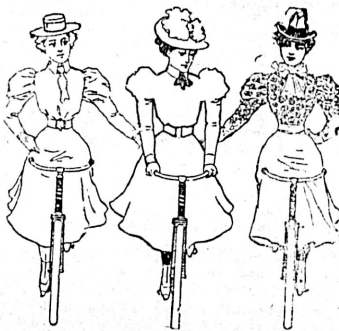
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